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DECLARATION OF WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCY

In consideration of the current drought conditions in the region, the Town of Foxborough Water Department has requested and received a Declaration of Water Supply Emergency from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

As a condition of this approval, we are required to immediately implement a **24-hour ban** on non-essential outdoor water use. Private well owners need to comply with this ban to limit impacts on the availability of water.

MassDEP **allowed** outdoor water use:

- reasons of health and safety;
- the production of food and fiber;
- the maintenance of livestock;
- those allowed by regulation;
- establishment of a new lawn; and
- the meeting of core functions of a business, including plant nurseries for the maintenance of stock, golf courses to maintain tees and greens only, and irrigation of public parks and recreation fields.

Uses that are **not allowed** by MassDEP:

- irrigation of lawn;
- irrigation of lawns by private well;
- washing of cars, other than by means of a commercial car wash, except as necessary for driver safety; and
- washing of exterior buildings, parking lots, driveways and sidewalks, except to apply paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement.

Thank you for your cooperation under these difficult circumstances. The citizens of the Town of Foxborough have consistently understood the importance of working together as a community to help maintain our wells at a safe level.